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File Number: 2005-0106
Location: 574 Bobolink Circle (APN: 309-02-034)

We are neighbors of the proposed project to construct 4 single-family homes where 1 single-family home now exists.

The proposed density of housing is not in keeping with the character of the neighborhood, which is one residence per street-side lot.

Two houses will be 3,252 square feet and two houses behind them will be 2,769 square feet. These appear to be 4 bedroom, 3 bathroom houses.

Height

The existing blue roofed house is 15 feet tall and sits well back from the street on a lot which is higher than the rest of the other neighborhood lots.

The 4 proposed houses are enormous, will fill the site completely and are 17 feet tall each.

Will the lot be lowered to keep these 4 houses from towering over every one else?

Parking

A (4) bedroom house can easily have 4 or more drivers.

Although 2 cars can be parked inside the garage while 2 more cars are parked on the driveway, in reality this system is not easy to use and the extra cars go on the street.

The new proposed driveways will eliminate several current on-street parking places, forcing current residents to find alternative spaces.

Our concern is that there will be a severe shortage of parking places when four (4) bedroom houses are added to the existing neighborhood.

Robert & Sharon Jenks

TO: Sunnyvale Planning Commission

FROM: Jerry and Louise McComas
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Phone #: 245-8006

Reference: File Number 2005-0106
574 Bobolink Circle

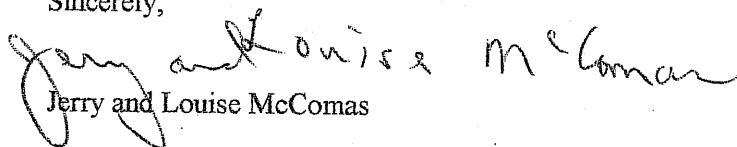
We have the following concerns regarding the 4 single-family homes being planned for the above location:

1) These houses are listed as three bedrooms, but the den could be used as another bedroom since it has a closet. This adds the potential for additional cars and need for space for them to be parked. As planned, the project is already reducing the amount of street parking that is presently available. With several courts in the neighborhood, there is already spillover parking on the main streets in the area, and we are very concerned about the potential increase and its impact on the character of the neighborhood.

2) Bobwhite Ave. and Bobolink Circle already have high automobile use and this project will add to the traffic.

We would like to see the size of houses reduced or altered in some way to insure that they are only three bedrooms to keep the number of additional automobiles to a minimum.

Sincerely,


Jerry and Louise McComas

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Andrew Miner - Project # 309-02-035

From: <>
To: <aminer@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us>
Date: 7/7/2005 4:45 PM
Subject: Project # 309-02-035
CC:

Dear Mr. Miner,

I trust this comment is not too late for input to the hearing scheduled for Monday, 7/11/05, on file number 2005-0106 (Ap. # 309-02-035).

I have three concerns:

1. The total land use for the proposed four houses is approximately 41% of the 29,250 square feet of land on the property. This does not account for the common access driveway for the two rear houses. My guess would be that the total usage of the land would be 50 or more percent leaving about 14,625 square feet for family yard space (averaging 3656 square feet per house). This is very restrictive for single family housing.
2. I'm concerned about traffic impact, in particular those turning left from Bobolink Circle onto Bobwhite Avenue with only a small fraction of a block to Fremont Avenue. It is already heavily traveled. Noting each house has a two car garage, it seems there are potentially eight (or more) additional cars in the neighborhood. Additionally, Bobwhite Avenue is becoming a significant thoroughfare with noticable speeding.
3. In addition, I believe that there is significant potential pollution resulting from the fireplaces in the houses. Even if they are natural gas fired, there is pollution involved. With the prevailing wind from the north, the major portion of pollution will blow further into the development.

Thank you, Mr. Miner, for considering my concerns.

Sincerely,
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